

CONQUEST OF ROUMANIA BY TEUTONS CONTINUES

Ninth German Army Is Nearing Important Railroad Junction Town of Buzau.

AT GRIPS IN CARPATHIANS

Russian Aggressors at Most Points. Heavy Artillery Fighting in Progress North of Monastir—Little Activity in France or Belgium.

The announcement by the Teutonic allies of their readiness to discuss peace with the entente allies continues the absorbing feature in the war news. As yet, however, no announcement has been couched as to the basis on which they desire to attempt to bring an end to the war. Neither has there come from any of the entente countries any official announcement as to the attitude they purpose to take with regard to the proposal.

Meantime the conquest of Roumania by the Teutonic allies continues. All along the front, the Roumanians are in retreat, northward, and the Ninth German Army is nearing the important railroad junction town of Buzau.

In the Carpathians and along the Moldavian frontier the Russians and Germans are still at grips, with the Russian aggressors at most points. There is little if any change in the situation in these regions, however.

Heavy artillery fighting is in progress north of Monastir, Serbia. Otherwise calm prevails. A new feature in the Balkan situation is a report from Sofia that 6,000 Albanians have defeated a force of Italian near Pashanisi, Epirus, the Italians fleeing.

On the front in France and Belgium and in the Russian and Austro-Italian theaters there is little activity aside from artillery duels.

NO IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES BY ANY OF ARMIES

BERLIN, December 13 (via Sayville).—Today's statement by army headquarters regarding operations on the Franco-Belgian front is as follows:

"Western front: Aside from artillery fire in the Somme and Meuse sectors, which was temporarily livelier, and the nightly clashes of snipers, there have been no important activities by any of the armies."

The statement regarding the Russian front reads:

"Eastern front: Front of Prince Leopold—There is nothing important to report."

RUSSIAN ATTACKS REPULSED BY TEUTONIC ALLIES

BERLIN, December 13 (via Sayville).—Russian attacks in the Gyerzgo mountains, on the Eastern Transylvania front, were repulsed yesterday by the Teutonic forces, the War Office announces.

In Wallachia Roumanian troops which were re-entrained by Russian cavalry attempted to make a stand, are now once more in full retreat. More than 4,000 prisoners were taken yesterday.

RUSSIAN CAPTURE LINE OF TEUTON TRENCHES

PETROGRAD, December 13 (via London).—Russian troops yesterday captured a line of Teuton trenches on heights to the south of Agudaria, in the region of the Troitsa Valley of Roumania, according to an official statement issued today by the Russian War Department. Teuton counterattacks in an effort to regain the lost positions were repulsed with great losses, the statement adds.

Roumanian forces took the offensive south of the Muzil-Buzau highroad yesterday, and captured a row of villages, the Russian announcement says, but on being counterattacked, the Roumanians were forced to retire. The Roumanian army occupies a front along a line from Buzau, Sargina and Crutchen.

GREEK REGULAR TROOPS IN FIGHT WITH FRENCH

PARIS, December 13 (via Sayville).—Fighting is in progress between Greek regular troops and the French, the Overseas News Agency announces. The news agency says the fighting is taking place north of Katerina, about sixty miles southwest of Salonika, and that the Greeks have a force of 5,000 men.

SPIRITED FIGHTING NORTH OF MONASTIR

PARIS, December 13.—A counter-attack delivered by Bulgarian troops against the Italians on the Macedonian front north of Monastir resulted in spirited fighting yesterday. The War Office announced today that the attack failed.

MUST BE COMPENSATION FOR SMALL KINGDOMS

LONDON, December 13.—Among statements regarding the peace overtures by the central powers given out today was one from Sir Gilbert Parker, which said, in part:

"Does any reasonable-minded German think that France, Russia, Italy, England and, above all, Belgium, Roumania, Serbia and Montenegro would agree to a peace which did not include the restoration with due compensation of these small kingdoms as they were before the war? Does any one suppose that we in this country, who went into the war bitterly resenting the militarism threatening the very foundations of civilization, would assent to a peace which would leave Germany's military powers unbroken?"

"This is not the time for Germany to talk peace unless she merely wants to create in neutrals like the United States the impression that she, in a humanitarian spirit, desires to end the war, and that it is only incredible, rapacious England and her allies that prevent it."

Led Bear on Streets

Charles Toney was arrested yesterday by Sergeant W. E. Waymack and Patrolman E. T. Dunn, charged with leading a bear around on the streets. There is an ordinance which prohibits one from transporting a bear upon the streets unless it be in an iron cage.

Southern Continues to Gain

Estimated earnings of the Southern Railway Company for the first week of December were \$1,672,580, as compared with \$1,366,414 for the same week of last year, showing a gain of \$226,066, according to figures announced yesterday by Comptroller A. H. Plant.

VON PAPEN IS MENTIONED IN BOMB-PLOT TRIAL

German Consul-General at San Francisco and Six Others Indicted for Alleged Conspiracy.

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., December 13.—Captain Franz von Papen, former military attaché to the German embassy in Washington, was indicted at the request of the United States, mentioned today by Louis J. Smith, the government's star witness against the German consul-general, Franz Bopp, and six others indicted on charges of violating American neutrality in connection with an alleged conspiracy to blow up ships and railroads carrying munitions for the entente allies.

Smith testified that in July, 1915, while he and C. G. Crowley, one of the defendants, were in New York City, Crowley gave him a card bearing the name of Von Papen with an address and with the suggestion, "If you need money, go there."

Smith ran short of funds and telegraphed Baron von Schack, another defendant, in San Francisco, believing Von Schack to be the consul. He was not asked why he did not go to Von Papen.

Smith said he and Crowley went to New York following attempts to plant bombs and may dynamite in Michigan and Canada.

"Did you do your level best to make dynamite?" asked the government's counsel.

"Yes, but it didn't make any noise when it went off," Smith replied.

Smith told of his attempt to dynamite a railroad tunnel and the dynamite.

WRITS OF ERROR

Supreme Court to Review Three Cases in Which Judgments Entered Are Complained Of.

The Supreme Court of Appeals yesterday granted a writ of error and supersedeas to the Builders' Supply Company of Hopewell, from the decision of the Corporation Court of that city, which rendered judgment against the petitioner in favor of the Piedmont Lumber Company for the sum of \$208.28. Among the pleas advanced by the petitioner in asking for a rehearing was that the Hopewell Corporation Court was without jurisdiction in the case, since the alleged debt was contracted prior to the incorporation of Hopewell.

The court also granted a writ of error to A. B. Carrington, doing business as the Buchanan Guaranty Company, Inc., of Lynchburg, who failed in the lower court to get a satisfactory adjustment of a debt due him by the Savings Corporation, Inc., the basis of which was placed in the hands of a receiver.

Frederick R. Austin was granted a writ of error to the judgment of the Circuit Court of Prince William county. Austin alleges that he bought a tract of land under the impression that it contained 800 acres. Later, he learned it contained 300 acres. He is now asking that the man from whom he purchased it make up the deficiency in cash.

SALYARDS OUT AGAIN

Slippery Forger, Who Served Term in Penitentiary, Escapes From Georgia Prison.

The Richmond Police Department and local Pinkerton Detective Agency were notified yesterday of the escape from the Georgia State prison at Milledgeville of Henry Salyards. Salyards served one year in the Virginia penitentiary for forging a check on a Broad Street bank in 1914. He was turned over to the Georgia authorities several months ago. Escaping with him was J. H. Homer, serving a term in the same prison for swindling.

The police of New York, Birmingham and Winnipeg, Canada, asked for Salyards when he escaped from prison here, but, inasmuch as Georgia had asked for him first, Governor Stuart honored the requisition papers from that State. Salyards, who is thirty-four years old, wrote Governor Stuart a strong letter, asking that he be turned over to neither State, but that he be allowed to remain in Virginia and make good. His pretty young wife also called on Governor Stuart, asking that he be allowed to remain here. She followed her husband to Georgia when he was sent there.

Thief Violates Egg Boycott.

The thieves of Richmond are not working in harmony with the Housewives' League, for yesterday one of them refused to boycott a crate of eggs he found in front of the store of H. T. Cobb & Co., of 21 South Thirteenth street. The eggs were valued at \$12.98. The store has complained to the police that the eggs are gone, stolen during the day.

Found Half-Dead in Swamp.

Suffering apparently from exposure, Sheriff Webb W. Sydnor early last night found a negro man, about twenty years old, lying in the swamp near Yellow Tavern in Henrico County. The man was brought to the Henrico County Jail, where he was given medical attention. He gave the name of George Watson Nelson. Efforts will be made today to locate relatives.

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C. & O. Pulls Daniels Out of Bad Hole

Makes Up Special Train to Carry Him to Norfolk in Time for Speech.

But for the promptness of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company early yesterday morning in making up a special train, Secretary of Navy Joseph Daniels would have arrived in Norfolk probably too late to take part in the ceremonies assigned to him yesterday at the convention of the Southern Commercial Congress.

Secretary Daniels left Washington early yesterday morning over the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and was scheduled to arrive in Norfolk at 7:45 o'clock. The train was two hours late, missing connection with the "Common Ball" of the Norfolk and Western Railway, leaving this city at 2 o'clock. Arrangements had been made to meet him at the station, and upon the secretary's arrival at Ellis Station he stepped down in a taxicab to the Main Street Station, where he boarded the waiting special.

And therein lies the story of how the Secretary of Navy of the United States missed his breakfast on his last visit to Richmond. Mr. Daniels is an old friend of Herbert W. Jackson, banker of 191 West Franklin Street. He had planned to arrive in Richmond shortly before 8 o'clock, breakfast with Mr. Jackson, and leave for Norfolk at 9 o'clock, but the loss of two hours on the way had thrown him off his schedule and he had to make do with a light breakfast.

"Hard" Under Case Postponed. The cases against P. Chappin and John Luchess, charged with having too much "hard" under their belts, were postponed yesterday morning in Police Court. The police asked for a continuance in order that they might have the goods analyzed for alcoholic strength. The case will be called December 16.

HONOR FOR JUDGE SOUTHALL

Noteworthy Lawyers Offer to Present His Name for Possible Supreme Court Vacancy.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BLACKSTONE, VA., December 13.—At a dinner given the members of the Notoway bar by Mr. Monroe Gray, of Blackstone, this evening, in honor of Judge H. G. Southall, at which all members of the Notoway bar were present, T. Freeman Pipes, at the request of the host, asked permission of Judge Southall to present his name as a candidate for the vacancy on the bench of the Supreme Court of Virginia which the members had learned would be created by the resignation of Judge Harrison.

In reply, Judge Southall expressed his appreciation of the action of the bar and said that while he would consider the request of his friends, should Judge Harrison resign, he asked that he be permitted to await developments before he gave a definite reply.

LABOR AGENT FINED

J. J. Anderson Assessed \$10 for Failing to Return Form When No Work Was Provided.

The American Employment Bureau, was fined \$10 and costs yesterday in the Hustings Court when he was convicted of failing to return a \$1 fee paid to him by an applicant for work, when no position was obtained. Anderson, counsel, Hiram M. Smith, noted an appeal to the Supreme Court. The case was brought into the Hustings Court on an appeal from the Police Court.

The State Department of Labor is pressing the case under the law passed at the last session of the General Assembly. It is the purpose of Anderson to test the legality of the measure, and for that reason his matter will go before the Supreme Court.

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TELEPHONE SOCIETY LAYS ASIDE CARES FOR ONCE

Tunes Business Meeting Into Celebration of "Ladies' Night" With Appropriate Diversions.

Laying aside technical papers and the routine business of its monthly meeting, the Richmond Telephone Society last night gave itself up entirely to the celebration of the annual "Ladies' Night." The meeting was held in the Eagles' Hall, which was elaborately decorated for the occasion.

All the young women employees of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company and the Western Electric Company were present. An excellent vocal musical program had been arranged, and a local orchestra played popular airs during the evening. A buffet supper was served at 10 o'clock.

L. N. Blount is president of the society. The committee on arrangements for the entertainment was composed of E. L. S. Hice, George H. Black, R. W. Sherman, H. W. Hall, G. C. Dillon and R. P. Wheatley.

Had Too Much Whisky.

Ben Williams and Robert Shaw, both colored, were arrested at the Byrd Street Station yesterday by Patrolman J. S. Gary upon charges of having more whisky in their possession than the law allows. The negroes said they were en route from Philadelphia to North Carolina. Williams had three quarts and a half and Shaw had eight quarts.

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DEATHS IN VIRGINIA

Mrs. Hettie A. Huddleston.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] CLIFTON FORGE, VA., December 13.—Mrs. Hettie Ann Huddleston died last night at the home of her son-in-law, George A. Bowman, in South Adams Street, aged seventy-eight years. She was in the printing business in August, 1914, for forty years, and in recent years was engaged in the same business in Petersburg, until failing health caused him to retire. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. George H. Bowman of this city, and Mrs. C. H. Knight, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; one son, William Morrison, of St. Augustine, Fla.; and one sister, Mrs. L. V. Hiedroe, of Washington.

E. Kingston Salisbury.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] FRONT ROYAL, VA., December 13.—E. Kingston Salisbury, a wealthy Englishman and well-known stock raiser, residing about seven miles east of this place, died this evening. He had no relatives in the United States, his wife having died about a year ago. He was about seventy-five years of age.

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PAPERS ARE FILED IN MARIE MARSHALL SUIT

Action Is Brought to Remove Famous Tax Case to the State Courts.

Papers in the petition to remove the case of the State and the city of Williamsburg against J. Frederick Keenochan, committee of Miss Marie Marshall, to the Eastern State Hospital at Williamsburg, to the State courts were filed yesterday in the United States District Court.

The original suit is to recover \$300,000 alleged to be due in omitted taxes on the personal property of the defendant. The portion of the taxes alleged to be due to the city of Williamsburg amounts to \$467,385.30, and to the State of Virginia more than \$200,000.

It is charged in the petition that Attorney Keenochan represented to the taxing officers of the State that Miss Marshall was a resident of the State of New York, but rather than make oath to the tax returns for her, requested that he be assessed with the sum of \$25,000 without giving a detailed statement under oath of what the reason for this request that \$25,000 would cover more than the value of the personal property of Miss Marshall taxable in Virginia.

The petition will be heard by Judge Waddill on next Wednesday.

BARS WIFE FROM HOME

George M. Carruthers Obtains Court Order Restraining Mrs. Carruthers From Entering Residence.

An order was entered yesterday by Judge Grump, in the Law and Equity Court, restraining Mrs. Rose Estelle Carruthers from entering the home of her husband, George M. Carruthers, at 204 Third Avenue, Highland Park. It was further decreed that the husband pay her temporary alimony of \$10 a week and her counsel fees.

The injunction was prayed for by Carruthers at the time he instituted suit for an absolute divorce from his wife. The suit followed Carruthers' acquittal in Police Court, where he was tried on the charge of placing incense in an orange in an alleged attempt on his wife's life.

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